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EXAMINING GROUP 1638

PATENT  
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IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Jun UEKI et al. Conf.: 3445  
Appl. No.: 09/856,725 Group: 1638  
Filed: May 25, 2001 Examiner: R. KALLIS  
For: NUCLEIC ACID FRAGMENTS, RECOMBINANT  
VECTORS CONTAINING THE SAME AND METHOD  
FOR PROMOTING EXPRESSION OF STRUCTURAL  
GENES USING THE SAME

**REPLY AFTER FINAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**

Commissioner for Patents  
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(Next business day after  
Federal Holiday)

Sir:

In reply to the Office Action dated March 11, 2004, the due date for response having been extended one (1) month from the filing of the Notice of Appeal on August 11, 2004, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.